Command Sergeant Major J. Curt Cornelison





Command Sergeant Major
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Command Sgt. Maj. Cornelison entered the Army in January 1990 as an infantryman. After graduating from One Station Unit Training, Airborne School, and the Ranger Indoctrination Program, he reported to his first assignment with the 3rd Ranger Battalion at Fort Benning, Georgia.

Command Sgt. Maj. Cornelison has served at every leadership level since then, from formative assignments in Hawaii with 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry Regiment and 2nd Battalion, 35th Infantry Regiment, to his service as the battalion Command Sergeant Major with 2nd Battalion, 28th Infantry Regiment in Grafenwöhr, Germany. He served as a squadron command sergeant major for 2nd Battalion, 38th Cavalry Regiment, at Fort Hood, Texas, and as the Senior Enlisted Advisor for the Combined Joint Force Land Component Command in Baghdad, Iraq.

Command Sgt. Maj. Cornelison was the 1st Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division's senior noncommissioned officer prior to assuming duties as the 28th command sergeant major of the 1st Infantry Division in September 2015. He has deployed twice in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, once in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, and once in support of Operation Inherent Resolve. He has also deployed in support of missions to Bosnia and Kosovo.

His awards include both the Combat and Expert Infantryman's Badge, Pathfinder Badge, and Master Parachutist Badge. His awards and qualifications include the Defense Superior Service Medal (with "C" device), Legion of Merit, Bronze Star (with 2 oak leaf clusters), and the Ranger Tab.

He has attended every level of the Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development System, the Master Fitness Course, and is a graduate of Troy University with a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice. Command Sgt Maj. Cornelison is married with three children.